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Lurita Doan Takes Oath of Office

Virginia businesswoman Mrs. Lurita Alexis Doan today took the ceremonial Oath of Office before a crowd of agency employees, family and friends to become the 18th Administrator of General Services.

Those in attendance witnessed as U.S. District Judge Richard W. Roberts administered the oath in the auditorium of the U.S. General Services Administration's national headquarters. "I am honored that President Bush asked me to take on such a critical role in his Administration," said Mrs. Doan after the ceremony. "I share his vision to make GSA now and for the future, the premier source for cost-effective, timely and compliant property management and government procurement." "Together, we will restore GSA's leadership as the premier contracting and service provider. To be the best, we are going to need to improve all of our services and better understand and anticipate the requirements of our customers. But we can do it," she said. "GSA can provide purchasing services quantifiably better, faster, and save taxpayer's dollars. GSA must do a better job of proving this and enable government agencies to refocus scarce management and contracting resources on their core issues."



Mrs. Doan is the first woman to serve as GSA's chief executive as a presidential nominee confirmed by the Senate. President George W. Bush nominated Mrs. Doan on April 6, 2006. The Senate confirmed her nomination on May 26.

Most recently, Mrs. Doan served on the Presidential Search Committee to select Vassar College's 10th president, the Steering Committee for the Women's Majority network founded by U.S. Sen. Elizabeth Dole, and the Steering Committee for the soon-to-be-built Shakespeare Theatre Company's Harman Center for the Arts.

Mrs. Doan, a native of New Orleans, La., was, until July 2005, the president, CEO and sole owner of New Technology Management, Inc. (NTMI), the technology company she founded in 1990. NTMI provides professional and highly skilled installation and integration of border surveillance technology to the Federal government. Before entering the field of computer technology, Mrs. Doan taught at several colleges in the Washington, D.C. area and in Louisiana.

Mrs. Doan is actively involved in the business community through participation in many trade associations, membership in business organizations and involvement in charitable community activities.

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